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Leonard F. Joy Executive Director

August 22, 2008

BY HAND
Harold Baer
United States District Judge
For the Southern District Of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York

Re: United States v. Charles Maxwell Crim. Dkt. 08 Cr. 561 (HB)

The Hon. Baer:

I am writing to request an adjournment of the September 22, 2008 trial date in this case. As the court may recall, at the last status conference Mr. Maxwell and the United States Marshall Service informed the court that Mr. Maxwell was suffering from depression and was unable to focus on his case. This predicament continues for Mr. Maxwell, and we are trying to make as much progress as we can in light of his mental health.

I have spoken with AUSA Kasulis regarding Mr. Maxwell's unique and unfortunate problems. AUSA Kasulis is cognizant of the defense's concerns and agrees that an adjournment of the trial date would be appropriate here, and has no objection to a request for a thirty day adjournment of trial.

To that end, we request that the time between September 22, 2008 and the next court date, be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, section 3161(h)(8)(A). Excluding time will best serve the ends of justice and outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial, because it will allow the government and defense counsel to continue discussions regarding a possible disposition in the matter. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Assistant Federal Defender

Harold Baer, Jr., U.S.D.J.

Date: (12504)

Southern District of New York John J. Flyrnes Attorney-in-Charge

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Endorsement:

I will adjourn to Monday, October 20 and urge you to provide anti-depressive medicine and within a month he will hopefully be fine. In any event the trial will begin on October 20 at 9:30 A.M.